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# GET RID OF BEDBUGS — for a clean house



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## You Can Get Bedbugs

You can get bedbugs. They can be carried into your house in clothes, suitcases, packages, or by other people.

They feed on blood—your blood. Their bites cause itching and red spots on your body. They leave blood spots on your sheets and mattresses.

They leave a bad smell in the room.



## Where Do They Stay?

Bedbugs hide in cracks in the walls, under wallpaper, baseboards, and floors.

They hide where parts of a bed are joined together, around slats, around the tufts of the mattress, and in the bedclothes. They hide from light. They hide during the day and come out at night.



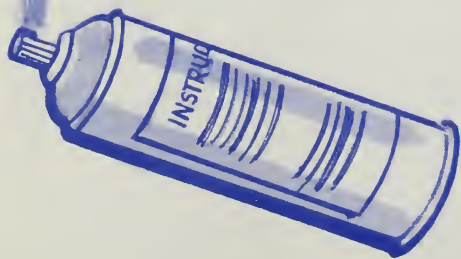
## To Get Rid Of Bedbugs

First, take this leaflet to your storekeeper and ask him for one of these sprays:

1. 5 percent DDT, *or*
2. 0.1 percent lindane, *or*
3. 1 percent malathion.

You can buy these sprays in small cans.

Ask the storekeeper how to use the spray.  
Read the label on the can and do what it says.



## How To Spray

**Use the spray with care.  
Keep it away from children.**

Open the doors and windows when you spray.

Spray all parts of the bedstead all over. Spray the slats and springs. Wet all of them good with the spray.

Spray the mattresses, *but do not get them too damp.* Spray into seams and tufts. Leave the mattresses outside in the sun to dry.

Spray all joints of upholstered furniture. Also spray around the tufts of pillows.

Spray the woodwork, openings or cracks in the walls, and between the floor boards. If you have wallpaper, spray it, too.

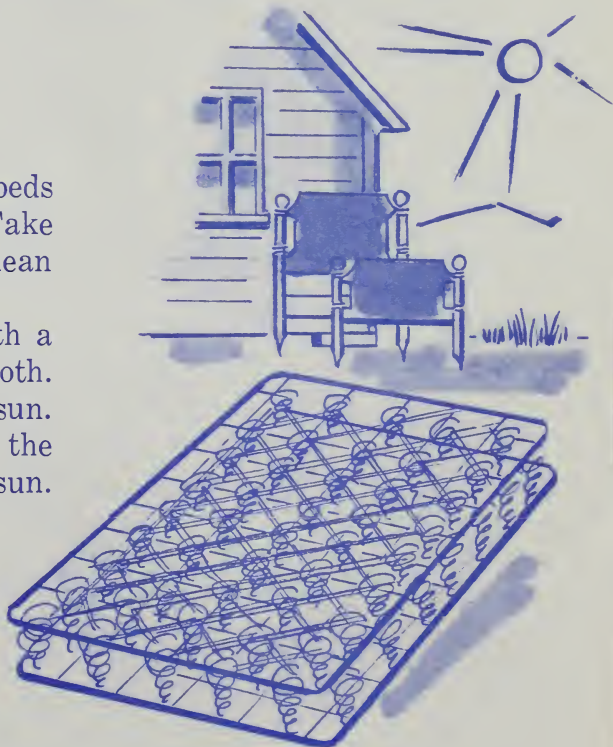


## Now Clean Your Beds

If you can, take the beds apart on a sunny day. Take the parts outside and clean and air them.

Clean the springs with a stiff brush, broom, or cloth. Let the springs air in the sun.

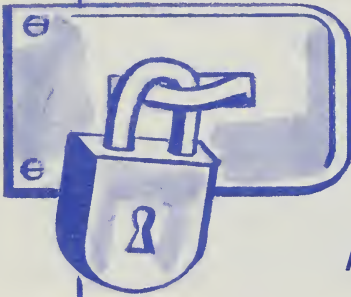
Brush or vacuum the mattress and air it in the sun.





## **You May Need To Spray Again**

Spraying one time may not kill all of the bedbugs. Watch for the next 2 or 3 weeks. If you see any new signs of bedbugs, spray the bed, furniture, walls, and floors as you did before.



### **AVOID ACCIDENTS!**

#### **Put Cans Of Spray In A Safe Place**

1. Put them in a locked cabinet where children and pets cannot reach them.
2. Do not put them near food or medicine.
3. When the cans are empty, bury them to keep them away from children and pets.

**Read the label on the can. Do what it tells you!**  
**Always wash your hands after using sprays.**

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